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## THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES OF 1916



DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
(Wilson and Marshall)  
9,127,748  
(277)



REPUBLICAN PARTY  
(Hughes and Fairbanks)  
8,545,765  
(254)



SOCIALIST PARTY  
(Benson & Kirkpatrick)  
590,322



PROHIBITION PARTY  
(Hanly and Landrith)  
216,999



PROGRESSIVE PARTY  
Roosevelt & John M. Parker  
35,054

SOCIALIST LABOR PARTY  
(Reimer and Harrison)  
13,132

AMERICAN PARTY  
(Sulzer and Pollard)  
No Vote



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THE 1916 CAMPAIGN - - - THE KEYNOTER COVER PRESENTATION

The political campaign pin-back buttons pictured are from the 1916 Campaign and represent each of the parties known to have issued buttons. Wilson had been elected easily in 1912, due to the split in the Republican party and he campaigned with the slogan 'He kept us out of War' and 'America First'. The Republicans were well united under Charles Evans Hughes, and most went to bed election nite considering him to be the new President, even tho the vote was close and California returns were not complete. The new day and complete returns from California gave Wilson the plurality and the election. The Socialists had a new face on their buttons, Allan L. Benson replaced the perennial Eugene V. Debs, but proved to be a much poorer vote getter. The Prohibitionists also had two new faces in James F. Hanly and Ira Landrith, while the Socialist Laborites ran Arthur Reimer once again but with Caleb Harrison. A few die-hard followers of Teddy Roosevelt met in conjunction with the Republican Convention in Chicago and again nominated Teddy with John M. Palmer but their campaign fizzled out, as shortly thereafter TR declined, (Palmer never declined). The field was rounded out by the American Party, the candidates being, William Sulzer and I. G. Pollard.....

KEYNOTER DELAYED TO BRING YOU LATE CONVENTION NEWS

This issue may be called THE CONVENTION ISSUE and was purposely delayed so that we could bring you the news of our 1966 Convention in Chicago on August 19 and 20. A report in depth will appear on another page, which will bring those of you who could not attend, a word picture of those busy two days. You will note above the newly elected officers and also appearing in this issue, are some changes in our Constitution which were proposed by the Executive Board at the Convention and which await your ratification or rejection.

FROM YOUR EDITORFrom Your Editorfrom your editor

The KEYNOTER is your publication and all of you who could not attend the Convention deserve the same privilege of those attending. At the Convention your Editor invited suggestions and asked that a questioner be completed and turned in, so you are hereby invited to give your honest and frank opinions and suggestions for new features or improvement, in any way, shape or form...Once again I have accepted the Editorship and have chosen, our ex-President Ferd O'Brien as Associate Editor. Ferd is very good at obtaining information of interest and was willing to pitch-in. We hope you'll send items of general interest and especially bits of research information. Everyone of us, seems to like to see our name in print but many times the news has little general appeal and while not wanting to discourage anyone, we would appreciate your sending news with a wide general interest. Would also appreciate you keeping your Editor informed of change of address, aswell as notifying the Secretary-Treasurer. The Post Office Department will require a Zip-code on all of our mailings beginning January 1, 1967, so be sure to check the address sticker to be sure we have your current and correct zip-code. Thanks..... The next issue will give you further details of the results of the questioner and your suggestions....PLEASE SINGLE SPACE ALL COPY, SENT TO THE KEYNOTER. THANKS.....



# The PRESIDENT'S Messages

THE FOLLOWING IS THE MESSAGE OF OUR OUTGOING PRESIDENT, AS IT APPEARED IN THE 1966 APIC CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET.....

Collecting in some form is essential to happiness, and a need of the human heart. Great music, painting, literature, and all of the arts attest to our desire to preserve. Some of us transfer that affectionate need to tangible items of historic import, specifically those pertaining to the political leaders of our country. Thus APIC serves not only its present members, but the little unborn souls of tomorrow as well. Our most important obligation as collectors is to make sure the items we love pass from our hands no worse for our stewardship.

As we look over the Roster of 1964 and compare it with that of today, we can say with pride what was said at our great convention in Hartford, that once again our membership has nearly tripled, providing greater opportunities and greater problems as well.

"They also serve who only stand and wait," is false logic today. Our problems are moral and social, and very real. Every member who can contribute his help must do so to insure vigor and healthy growth for our organization.

As your outgoing President may I echo a thought from the past, that you find this convention a particularly rewarding experience, and may the most pleasant of memories remain with you when you take your leave for home.

FERDINAND W. O'BRIEN, #103

THE FOLLOWING IS THE MESSAGE AND REPORT OF OUR 1966 CONVENTION AS RELATED BY OUR NEW PRESIDENT, ROBERT STERLING, #173.....

Bringing together the minds and bodies of almost 20% of a national organization during a transportation strike is no mean accomplishment. Yet, there they were, seated in the luxurious Crystal Ball Room of the Sheraton-Blackstone, with pockets filled with buttons, fat checkbooks and an insatiable hunger to buy, borrow, or barter campaign items.

Officially, 108 APICers collected in Chicago on Aug. 19-20. But with the ANA's convention running concurrently many more moved across the street on August 20 after our registration desk had closed. Probably 120 attended. While 60% of the gathering came from the Ohio and Mississippi valleys and Great Lakes area, still, almost a third trekked across the Appalachians and eight per cent made it from the West Coast. Mr & Mrs Steve Bibler drove 2,200 miles and the Ford family probably matched that pilgrimage.

Mayor Daley's administrative officer, Mr. Robert Christensen, presented the city to the members, but few saw daylight for the next two days. President Ferd O'Brien opened the morning business session and the membership took up the ever perplexing, ominous facet of our mutual interest, the reproduction of items.

No item on the agenda solicited more careful attention than this one. Judge Lynn Griffith regretted that "there are no laws protecting the collectors" and presently a resolution was unanimously agreed to that put the organization "on record as calling for effective federal legislation to deal with the problem."

This resolution called for "the name of their (buttons) manufacturer and the year in which they were manufactured; that it (legislation) provide that failure to comply with the foregoing, whether by commission or omission, shall be made a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$200.00 and not more than \$500.00 for each day in which failure to comply...is proved."

A general discussion ensued and members named the Truman and GE buttons, mentioned in the August 1965 Keynoter, as being especially obnoxious. ↓



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGES, continued.

(Although not new to the West Coast, a second fake Davis item has found its way into the mid-west. Don Beck has just reported receiving the 7/8" single picture D13. The item came from a non-member from Van Nuys, Calif. Members should be alerted to the item and advised to know the seller's reputation before purchasing.)

Mr. William Singer spoke expansively about the reproduction of items, but, probably, the purpose of his discourse was to propose Boston as the site of the 1968 convention. From the President of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, from the Mayor, and from Governor John Volpe of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, came the invites.

President O'Brien called on regional representatives for reports and Web Haven, Pete Winkelstein, Ken Broyles, Bill Opie, Jack Putman, Ed Puls and John Ford responded. Ken Broyles elaborated on the history and purpose of the Price Guide; Chick Harris passed out a questionnaire and discussed the Keynoter; Bob Sterling announced that the organization was solvent. This concluded the morning session. (And Seymour Moss gave a John W. Davis name pin to the youngest collector present, 12-year old Miss McNabb).

In the afternoon session, the Virginian, Herb Collins, plugged the Smithsonian, as was expected, and invited the membership, when in DC, to tour the museum with him. He offered the museum as the site for the 1968 convention. Collins discussed an NBC movie, picturing campaign items from the Smithsonian, that had been viewed by more than 200 members and friends.

Gaveled by Ken Broyles and Hal Ottaway, the floor auction was a marked success. Perhaps more than 50 items had been donated to APIC and the organization cleared more than \$400 as a result of this generosity. Altogether, almost 100 items were redistributed.

Following the evening banquet 150 members and guests were shown the motion picture, "The Face of Lincoln" through the courtesy of the gracious J. Doyle DeWitt.

Shortly after 9:30 a.m. Saturday, August 20, the new officers were installed. Mr. DeWitt announced the following slate elected: President, Robert Sterling; Vice-Presidents, Kenton Broyles, Bill Opie, and Wayne LaPoe; Secretary-Treasurer, Donald Coney; Board Members, Joseph Brown, J. Doyle DeWitt, Webster Haven, Byron Hoke, Jack Martin and Joseph McGee.

Out-going President Ferdinand O'Brien delivered his "swan song" and received a standing ovation from the members. Under his administration the organization added exactly 500 members--a tribute to solid leadership.

The old War Horse will be tough to follow and the new President can only promise an attempt to emulate him.

There were three subjects discharged through the inaugural message. First, the appointment of officers. The membership will be delighted to learn that Chick Harris will continue to edit the official organ. No one knows Brummagen better than the man who created that portion of the Keynoter and Mr. LaPoe will handle that sensitive and sticky responsibility. Ex-President O'Brien will head the nominating committee and Ken Broyles and Hal Ottaway will remain in charge of the Price Guide and APIC auction.

The most important change in our Constitution calls for some direct compensation for the Secretary-Treasurer. An enclosed ballot carries the major changes proposed in our basic document.

\* Thirdly, proposed projects. All members are now requested to forward sharp photographs of any James M. Cox and John W. Davis pins to Chick Harris to be used for the first revision of those projects. A later Keynoter will carry a call for our next big project--the listing of all Harding items. \*(include description).



## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGES, concluded.

This report concluded the morning session.

The luncheon, held in the Mayfair room, was especially pleasant because a long time friend, Professor Glenn Seymour, former Head of the History Department at Eastern Illinois University, addressed the members on the subject of "Stephen A. Douglas and Chicago." More than 80 heard his sparkling presentation.

As expected, the Saturday afternoon session witnessed the wildest trading-buying-selling spectacle imaginable. More than 20 tables held the hundreds of items that changed hands. It was a proper conclusion to the memorable convention.

Finally, the organization ended the two-day meet in the black.

Income: Auction \$424.25

Registration fees, banquet  
& luncheon tickets \$1,365.75

\$1,790.00

Expenses: Buttons, ribbons, etc. \$215.65

Program printing 83.90

Banquet & Luncheon \$1,273.00

Flowers 15.60

Movie projector &  
operator 75.00

\$1,663.15  
+\$126.85.

Our 1968 meeting location will be subject to the vote of the membership and proposals will be received immediately. Robert Sterling, President.

APIC EMBLEM BUTTONS	*****	APIC EMBLEM BUTTONS
An extra supply of APIC (emblem) buttons were made at the same time that the Convention Badges were printed, and a limited number of 1½" celluloid pins with the APIC seal in red, white and blue are available. Any APIC member desiring one, should send 25¢, with a self-addressed stamped envelope AND a protective container for the pin, to our Secretary-Treasurer, Don Coney, 66 Golf Street, Newington, CONN. 06111. Supply is limited, so one to a member, please.....		

## SCENES FROM THE APIC CONVENTION - 1966



John Ford, #403, prepares to present the West Coast Activity Report, upon introduction by out-going Pres. Ferd O'Brien, with Veep Ken Broyles looking on.....



Chick Harris, #139, leading discussion on KEYNOTER improvements, with Veep Bill Opie, #265, to the left. Note the showy Convention badge....

Photos courtesy of John Ford, #403. Additional photos will appear in the next issue. Sorry we had none of our new President for this issue.....



## PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE APIC CONSTITUTION

PROPOSED: ARTICLE I, Section 4: Each two years a general convention of APIC members is to be held, for the purpose of election of officers and other business that may be.....  
....The Convention site and dates....., as determined by returns of a questionnaire sent at least 120 days prior to the earliest proposed date. (PRESENT: Each four years a general convention....., as determined by returns of a questionnaire sent at least 90 days prior etc.

PROPOSED: ARTICLE II, Section 3; (after "THE KEYNOTER, in middle of paragraph) If the Secretary-Treasurer receives no written objection within forty-five days after publication, the applicant shall be admitted to membership. If proper objection in writing is received, such objection shall be referred to the President, who shall advise the applicant. The applicant has recourse to the Executive Board, who will investigate and rule on the application, with applicant notified and rejection listed in next KEYNOTER.....  
PRESENT portion reads, If no written objection is received one month after publication by the Secretary-Treasurer, the applicant shall be admitted to membership. If proper objection in writing be received, such objection shall be referred to the President who shall advise the applicant. The Executive Board will investigate and pass judgement on the objection. All applicants admitted to membership shall have their names published in the issue following the announcement of their application. (This change gives the applicant recourse to the Ex. Board and eliminates the need for second publication.)

PROPOSED: ARTICLE II, Section 4: Membership dues shall be \$3.50 per calendar year etc.,  
Present: Membership dues shall be \$3.00 per calendar year etc. (This new rate was put into effect this year due to enlargement of the KEYNOTER and other projects).

PROPOSED: ARTICLE III, Section 1: Second sentence to read: The Officers and Board of Directors, along with the APIC past-Presidents shall constitute the Executive Board etc.,  
Present sentence reads: The Officers and Board of Directors will constitute the Ex. B. etc.

PROPOSED: ARTICLE III, Section 2: The Officers and Board of Directors terms expire every two years, at convention time, or if for good reason, no convention is held, July first will be the expiration date. All shall serve without compensation, except the Secretary-Treasurer who will receive 40 cents of each yearly dues payment, for duties connected with the office. All officers and committee chairman may submit reasonable expenses as incurred with the full-fulfillment of their duties. Present section reads: The Officers and Board of Directors terms expire every two years at convention time, or if no off-year convention is held, July 1, will be the expiration date. All shall serve without compensation, excepting for reimbursement of expenses as outlined in.....above.

PROPOSED: ARTICLE IV, Section 1: Six months before the election, a Nominating Committee, consisting of three active members, shall be appointed by the President. This Committee shall present to the President and Secretary-Treasurer, a slate of nominees together with their acceptance in writing 90 days prior to the election. Any member may also file a nominating petition following the above rules, if signed by three percent of the members in good standing, to nominate for one office or a slate of offices. The Secretary-Treasurer shall publish a list of all nominees and furnish an official ballot, at least thirty days prior to the election. Present section change: (In second sentence after ...their acceptance in writing 60 days prior to the election. Any member may also file a nominating petition, following the above rules, if signed by ten active members in good standing, etc.. (This change allows an extra 30 days to notify the membership and with our present membership would require about 20 signatures, rather than 10 at present.)

The Executive Board urges acceptance of these major changes. Our size and present rate of growth are responsible for these recommendations. Our present membership is about 660 and the \$400 plus which the Secretary-Treasurer will be entitled to, if you approve the change, will compensate him at the rate of about 40 cents per hour. It would seem, therefore, that the office could still be considered a gratis position. BOB STERLING, Pres.

PLEASE RETURN THE ENCLOSED BALLOT TO: Robert Sterling, 412 Taft St., Charleston, ILL 61920



## APIC CONVENTION AUCTION

Those who were able to attend the recent convention in Chicago had the opportunity to submit lots both as a donation (to APIC) and on a consignment basis for the Convention Auction. There were a total of 98 lots, over half of which were donation lots that netted \$424.25 for the APIC treasury.

The following is a listing of members who did donate items for the APIC Convention Auction. There were a few names that were not recorded and should you happen to be one of these persons please forgive us, and please write and let us know that you did contribute and we shall see that you do receive proper recognition in the next KEYNOTER.

Gene F. McGreevy (137), Kenton H. Broyles (129), Seymour Moss (743), John Ford (403), Mrs. Ford, Lyell Henry (193), Ferdinand W. O'Brien (103), Stanley Kaufman (177), Chuck Morgan (254), Thomas Gordon (547), Jack Putman (5), Jack Gibson, Harry Lessin (245), U. I. 'Chick' Harris (139), Robert Sterling (173), Jack Martin (152), Nelson Chubb (165), Gary Sohmers, Charley Robinson (515), Edwin Puls (53), John Gibbons (421), Edward Potter (471), Leroy Blommaert (489), Joe Brown (95), Hal Ottaway (35), Peter Winkelstein (306), Ronald Mohr (694), and J. D. Dewitt (25).

Bidding was active on the floor with some fine items being offered. A few of the items available for the floor sale were as follows: a "Davis for President" lithograph pin back, unlisted picture item (\$55.00); a Harding & Coolidge jugate pin back (\$131.00); a 7/8" Chafin-Watkins jugate (\$29.00); a Benj. Harrison clay pipe (\$21.00); a complete set of the Goldwater-Miller language buttons (\$20.00); two different McKinley canes bringing \$25.00 and \$26.00; a Grant Currier & Ives (\$25.00); a McKinley & Hobart Mechanical Elephant, with pictures of each candidate under the elephant's blanket (\$45.00); Cox & Roosevelt 1920 ribbon (\$20.00); a LaFollette & Wheeler jugate poster (\$21.00)

Everyone seemed to enjoy the auction and I feel sure that we may all look forward to auctions at future APIC Conventions.

Alternating calling and clerking the sale were Kenton H. Broyles (#129) and Hal N. Ottaway (#35), assisted by Mrs. Broyles and Robert Sterling (#173).

Hal N. Ottaway  
Chairman  
APIC Auction Committee.

### THIS AND THAT ---- This and That ----- this and that

Pearl Alperstein, #297 has been asked by the Colorado Democratic Party to exhibit her collection at the July 23 State Convention.....Warren DuBois, #190 has identified items with a spread eagle on a nest, labelled 'Protection' and with the initials 'F' and 'B' to either side, as being fraternal buttons of the Order of Pendos.....Bill Singer, #388 sends an article which appeared in 1964, picturing his collection in the Sunday, Pictorial Living Section...Leonard Stark, #149 has had an 1896 Catalogue of Campaign Items reprinted. It pictures hundreds of items and many novelty and rare items, very well done, only \$2.00.



## REPORTS OF APIC CHAPTER MEETINGS

Washington Area Chapter of the APIC, June 4, 1966.....About 35 members and guests were present on Capital Hill, in a hearing room of the Committee on Public Works for two hours of trading and conversation, which was followed by a short business meeting. Annual dues were decided upon (\$1.00) to pay for a local publication, membership list, and information and descriptions of fake buttons - 'brummagem'. A resolution was adopted, inviting the APIC to hold its 1968 National Convention in Washington, D.C. As the Seat of Federal Government it has hundreds of buildings, shrines, and attractions to the political-minded, including the White House, the National Archives, and of special interest to the collector - the large and beautiful collection of political items in the Smithsonian Institution.....Many members brought items for display and VP Steve Ackerman had his display of 'fakes', which was made a part of the Chapter's file. It contained among other items, one of the 'Becker' Lincoln tokens (which were made in 1960 in white metal, with the word BECKER or REB on the reverse), along with most of the items pictured in the Winter KEYNOTER 'brummagem' article. Several members mentioned that unscrupulous button manufacturers have been taking old 'sheets' or reruns of originals and making new buttons of them. It was mentioned that many of these buttons are illegal as they bear the original union labels. A resolution was overwhelmingly defeated which suggested that it should be left to the judgement of each collector, if this type of button was a 'true' item or a 'fake' and that the APIC Ethics Committee should refrain from declaring them 'fakes'.....Members were informed that the Smithsonian Institution is photographing its large collection, attempting to make a file of genuine items.....A committee was appointed to start the Chapter publication and the meeting adjourned with thanks to Rep. George Fallon (Dem-Md.) who provided the room for the first APIC meeting on Capital Hill. Steve Kanner, Sec't.-Treas. Washington Chapter

Metropolitan New York Chapter.....The first meeting of this group which consists of New York City members & the regional metropolitan area which includes certain areas in New Jersey met in the office of Sherman V. Adler on June 22, 1966. The group of fifteen decided to form an APIC Chapter and to meet again on September 22 and to meet about four times yearly. At these future meetings, we hope to do some trading (the June meeting was merely for discussion purposes). We elected no officers and hope to run the group on an informal basis as possible. Those attending, in addition to myself, were: Guy Lesser, John P. Wagner, Ed Veleber, Peter Winkelstein, Joan Beatty, Ralph DeGroot, Stanley King, Leon Weisel, Richard Ravsek, Lawrence Calio, H. G. VanBuren, Lawrence Bleiberg, Walter McMahon, and Lowell Mast. Harold J. Adler.

Michigan Chapter of the APIC.....The second meeting of the Michigan Chapter was held on Saturday, July 16. An enthusiastic group of sixteen members and wives met in Detroit (Southfield) at Howard Johnson's for an all day meeting. A luncheon was served at noon, with an informal discussion of plans for future meetings. It was agreed that we would have at least two meetings a year. We had APIC members from out-of-state; Don Beck, from Ft. Wayne, Ind. and Neil Rorter and John Sherman from Warren, Ohio. The Michigan members present were Mr. and Mrs. Leon McMillan, Mr and Mrs. Tom Shawver, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Sayre, Steve Walters, Walter Jennings and Son, Mike Kelly, Jerry D. Roe, Raymond E. Olson, and your Secretary Ed Puls. David Schey of Detroit was a guest. We are indebted to Jerry Roe from Lansing for some Michigan political items, which were distributed to all members. There was a lot of swapping and buying, which prompts us to meet periodically to enlarge our membership in Michigan. Ed Puls, Secretary Michigan Chapter

### THIS AND THAT

### ----- This and That -----

### this and that

On July 5 in Kansas City, Missouri, the Patriotic Party of America met and completed its organizational structure. The party headed by Robert B. DePugh of the Minutemen, was chief organizer and plans were laid for six regional meetings to be held in August. It is reported that conservative elements from 47 states attended, with about 200 in total attendance. DePugh hopes to rally all of the various Conservative groups under the Patriotic Party banner.....Kansas City was also the scene of the 1966 Prohibition Party National Conference, held September 1 and 2. Enthusiasm was generated for the current candidates for State and local office and plans made for the 1967 convention, which will nominate their 1968 slate for President and Vice-president.....



# The Secretary's Corner

by Bob Sterling, #173 & Don Coney, #202.

## Members in Good Standing but not Listed in Roster;

- 117 - Benjamin Tighe, Athol, Mass. 01331; Book Dealer; (3-d-v)  
328 - Mrs. Lois Rathbone, 648 Fairfax St., Denver, COLO. 80220; housewife;  
(2-c-h-m-q-z) (303) 322-2225.  
424- Patrick McGilligan, 512 E. Gorham, Madison, WISC. 53703; student;  
(1-c-h-l-q-u-v) (608) 255-7001.  
674 - Arthur Peterson, 2712 Gallows Road, Merrifield, VA. Prof. Pol Sci.;  
(2-c-i-h-l q-z) ( ) 560-9757

## Changes of Address:

- 207 - Tony Boatman, 3126 Fairview Ave., Logansport, Ind. 46947.  
617 - Fred Borchert, 1591 Solano Ave., Berkeley, Calif. 94707.  
419 - John C. Colson, 9 Maplewood Ct., Greenbelt, Md. 20770.  
502 - James Fox 127 Lilac Lane, Ashland, Ohio 44805.  
220 - Dennis Gladhill, 1358 Summit, St. Paul, Minn. 55105.  
720 - Robert McQuillan, 9800 Heroy Rd, Clarence, N.Y. 17235.  
383 - Wayne Quinlan, 3128 Goshen Dr., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73120.  
763 - H. Dwayne Roe, 1016 7th Ave North, Great Falls, Montana.  
630 - Nelson Whitman, 3711 Forest Grove Road, Annandale, Va. 22003.  
794 - Roger Ezard, 1311 Goltra, Jacksonville, Ill. 62650.  
106 - Arnold Perl, Box 367, East Hampton, L. I., NEW YORK 11937  
494 - Robert Carter Jr., 16 Rosedale Road, West Hartford, Conn. 06107.  
507 - Barbara Maloof, 6437 Livingston Road, Apt. 103, Oxon Hill, Maryland, 20021.  
691 - James Solomon Jr., 3701 Quenby Drive, Montgomery, Ala. 36111.  
306 - Peter Winkelstein, 484 Argyle Road, Brooklyn, N.Y., 11218.  
490 - Elmer Robert Koppelman, 93 Highland Ave., Sheboygan Falls, Wisc. 53085.  
425 - John Anderson, 525 Elm Drive Ave, Wauwatosa, Wisc. 53226.  
730 - Dennis Schaefer, 2614 Virginia, St. Louis, 18, Missouri. 63118.  
601 - William Knight, 3483 Bowman Rd., Memphis, Tenn., 38128.  
686 - John F. Bibby, 5507 N. Kent Ave., Whitefish Bay, Wisc.

Probationary Members: (Should any member know of a good reason why any probation-member should not be admitted to the APIC, please send such objection in writing to the S.-T., Donald Coney, 66 Golf St, Newington, Conn. 06111. If no objections are received, full membership will be accorded on 10-15-66.

- 800 - Jack Caldwell, Rt #1, Box 90, Fort Morgan, COLO,; optometrist;  
(3-c-h-l-q-u-v) 867-7330.  
801 - Jim Koser, 1347 Washington Ave., Albany 6, CALIF. 94706; none;  
(1-c-i-m-q-u) (415) 525-6982.  
802 - Leon Goldstein, 30 Fidelis Way, Brighton, MASS. 02135; social worker;  
(3-c-i-Boston & Mass-m-r-z) ST2-7054, LA3-5100, Ext. 363.  
803 - Alphaeus H. Albert, 353 Stockton Street, Hightstown, N.J. 08520;  
retired teacher; (3-c-i-metal buttons-q-u-v) (609) 448-0217.  
804 - Paul Fisher, P O box 1401, Reading, PENN. 19603; finance dept;  
(2-c-h-m-q-z) (215) 373-2786, (215) 372-4511 Ext. 545.  
805 - Richard Bristow, 842 Old Orchard Rd., Campbell, CALIF. 95008; teacher  
(2-c-h-m-presidential pictures-q-z) 378-1726; 252-3755.  
806 - Charles Dunn, 828 East McCarty, Jefferson City, MISSOURI; state  
employee; (2-c-i-l-r-z) (314) 636-4346, (314) 635-4105.  
807 - Bernard Zusman, General Delivery, Portland, OREGON; chain dealer;  
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808 - Martin W. Pearlman, 708 Snyder Ave., Philadelphia, PENN. 19148;  
dentist; (3-c-h-m-q-u-v) 609-HA8-3735, 215-DE4-1633.  
809 - Alan S. Borg, 834 Wagner Road, Glenview, ILL. 60025; systems planning;  
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Probationary Members, continued.

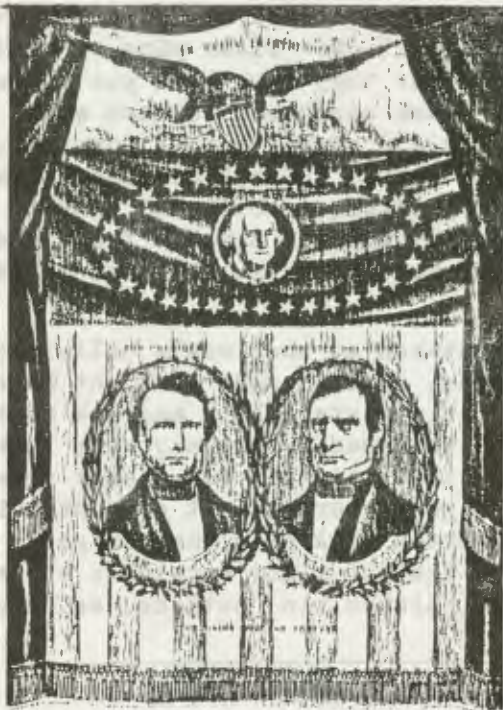
- 810 - Russ Cole, 110 West Main, Carrollton, OHIO 44615; merchant;  
(3-c-d-i-m-q-z) (216) 427-2980.
- 811 - Franklin Hurt, 17305 Lowell, Hazel Crest, ILL. 60429; teacher;  
(2-c-i-m-q-z) 335-2334.
- 812 - Ernest Parker, 4111 Pottowattomie Road, Logansport, IND.; car  
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- 813 - Leroy Hedstrom, 3006 South 39th St., Kansas City, KANSAS; teacher;  
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- 814 - Kenneth Williams, 3006 South 39th St., Kansas City, KANSAS; student;  
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- 815 - Michael C. Generty, 2357 E. Cumberland St., Philadelphia, PENN. 19125;  
student; (1-c-h-l-s-z) (215) RE9-3131.
- 816 - Alden C. Beverly, 30 Crane Ave., White Plains, N.Y. 10603; school  
principal; (3-c-h-m-q-z) (914) WH6-4226, (914) RO9-5500 Ext. 54.
- 817 - C. E. Whillhite, P O Box 28217, Dallas, TEXAS 75228; sales engineer;  
(3-d-i-m-jewelry-q-z) (214) BR9-5215.
- 818 - Mrs. Wayne Rogers, 2416 S. W. Sherwood Drive, Portland, OREGON 97201;  
housewife; (2-c-h-m-q-u-v) CA7-6808.
- 819 - John Gibson Jr., 460 Trumbull Ave., S. E., Warren, OHIO 44482; student;  
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- 823 - Robert S. Kuhn, P O Box 5223, San Francisco, CALIF. 94101; antique  
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- 824 - Dr. Cecil B. Currey, Dept. of History, Neb. Wesleyan Univ., Lincoln,  
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- 825 - Bill Jenkins, Rt. 3, Box 528, Clarksburg, W. VA. 26301; antique  
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- 827 - Paul Ausherman, 227 W. Main St., Waynesboro, PENN. 17268; student  
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- 828 - Kelley M. Trausch, 8934 Nashville, Morton Grove, ILL. 60053; student;  
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- 829 - Huntley Dayton, Jr., 6255 West Walbrook Dr., San Jose, CALIF. 95129;  
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- 831 - Peter Morse, 194 Smith St., Freeport, N.Y. 11520; exporter; (2-c-m-mq-z)  
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- 833 - John A. Kopp, 616 Ridgeleigh Drive, Minerva, OHIO 44644; vice-president  
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- 836 - John Vargo, 19802 Mountville Dr., Maple Heights, OHIO 44137; student;  
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- 837 - Jay Alan Novak, 916 Marquette, S. Milwaukee, Wisc.; student; (1-c-h-m-q-u-v)  
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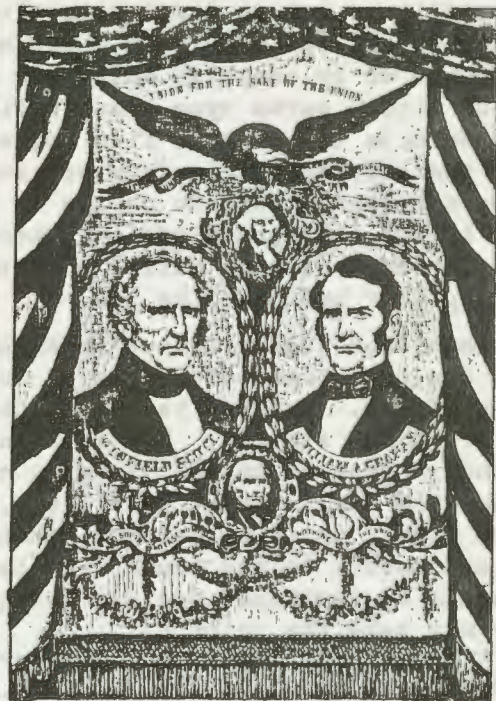
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- 839 - Max Winters, 1921 Emerson Ave, North, Minneapolis, MINN. 55411; coin dealer; (3-d-i-l-q-z) (312) 588-6915, (312) 521-1194.
- 840 - Gus Strausser, 1921 Emerson Ave, North, Minneapolis, MINN. 55411; coin dealer; (2-d-i-l-q-z) (312) 822-1407, (312) 521-1194.
- 841 - Dave Fauntleroy, 1102 Dougherty Ferry Rd., Kirkwood, MISSOURI 63122; none; (1-c-l-q-z) TA1-0023.
- 842 - Charles Oder, Box 663, Newark, OHIO 43055; coin dealer; (2-d-i-l-q-z); 344-3548.
- 843 - E. F. Mushinski, 7916 Harvard Ave., Cleveland, OHIO 44105; self-employed; (3-d-h-l-m-q-X) (216) 341-5195.
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- 845 - Larry Fish, 9727 Belinder, Leawood, KANSAS 66206; none; (1-c-h-l-q-u) NI8-7772.
- 846 - Joseph Copley, New Castle, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03854; antiques; (2-c-d-military-h-l-q-z) (603) 436-0297.
- 847 - George Suddath, The Citadel, Charleston, S.C.; student; (1-c-h-l-q-u); LI6-6207.
- 848 - Hart Mayer, 7445 Broadway, Kansas City, MISSOURI 64114; dealer; (3-d-h-q-u-X) JA3-7655.
- 849 - Richard Coffey, 921 Park Drive, Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034; manager-contract stevedore; (3-c-d-h-l-q-z) (609) HA8-3785.
- 850 - Roger Alan Rapaport, 1634 Harding Ave., Lansing, MICH. 48910; student; (1-c-i-l-r-u-v) IV4-4945.

THE CAMPAIGN OF 1852.



1852 - Pierce and King



1852 - Scott and Graham

The Election of 1852 pitted the first 'dark horse' candidate, Franklin Pierce of New Hampshire, who ran with William R. King of Alabama, against the last Whig Candidates, Winfield Scott and William A. Graham. The Free Soil Democrats ran John Hale and George Julian. Pierce was victorious, with 1,601,474 popular and 254 electoral votes, against 1,360,578 and 42 for Scott and 166,149 votes for Hale.....



## DISPLAY, STORAGE AND CARE OF POLITICAL BUTTONS.....by Leroy Blommaert, #489

Let's consider first display and storage. The ideal system, of course, is one that combines both storage and display in such a way that one's entire collection is on permanent display. Since space is a problem for most of us, we must resign ourselves to the reality that part of our collection must remain in storage, at least part of the time.

The fact that we cannot display our entire collection at one time should not discourage us, however, from showing off at least a few of our gems. There are a number of ways that this can be done. A few buttons may be mounted within a picture frame but since most frames are not deep, this arrangement will mean that the display will be exposed to dust. It is best to use some type of display case which gives depth and a glass enclosure, of which there are several on the market today. One such type is primarily designed for the display of medals and military decorations. Biological supply houses have available a frame made of strong, black-colored pressed board, with glass cover and in several sizes which have hangers for wall display. Dress button collectors have for years used a 9x12 walnut frame and a 11x14" size is also available and has depth and is very adaptable for politicals. More expensive varieties of 'bulletin board' glass door display cases are available and often times large glass cases may be found at used furniture stores or going-out-of-business sales.

Let us assume that you have found a suitable display case and that you are looking for a nice looking and handy pinning media. Take strong, plywood cut to size, then wrap a thick piece of material tautly across it, stapling the ends to the back. Over this do likewise with a piece of velvet or satin in either red or black. It is easy to pin buttons for display and as a special effect on some choice pieces, take a slightly larger size piece of cloth in contrasting color, to use as additional background.

Another variation of display is the use of display pole, a variation of the pole lamp. One can have a pole display ensemble which would be quite suitable for most smaller display arrangements.

Storage of items not on display is also a problem. Smaller buttons are adaptable to file drawers and various sized cards may be used, from 4x6" on. Place pins by party and campaign or by campaign only. To cover the pins after they have been put on cards, wrap each with a saran type plastic film and place a blank cardboard between each mounted card, as the plastic film has a clinging quality and easily sticks together. A clear acetate, available from art supply houses does a fine job and does not stick, but does not lend itself to change as readily. Larger buttons of over two inches, especially if the lithograph variety, tend to scratch easily and the plastic film on each before placing in a box, making sure they are arranged back to back, and face to face, helps keep your buttons like new.

As was mentioned in a previous KEYNOTER care should be taken so that one's celluloid buttons are not stored or displayed in hot, humid areas, as both plus sunlight have a damaging effect. Nothing is worse than water for the tin rusts easily and the buttons become brown and stained. How then may dirty buttons be cleaned, one may ask; I have found that a product called Vista, a cleaner and wax, in an aerosol can does a great job. Spray a small amount on a cloth, rub the button gently and let it dry until it takes on a dull white appearance, then wipe it off--button will be clean, bright, shiny and smooth to the touch. It is also protected against minor scratches but members should be cautioned against using on lithograph (painted tin) buttons, as hard rubbing may take the paint off.

### THIS AND THAT

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### This and That

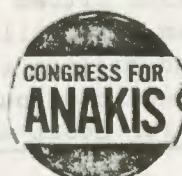
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### this and that

Clinton Pyne, #777 (806 Vickers Ave. Durham, N. C. 27701) tells of an unusual pair of buttons, and here is the reason, its most logical, especially if a candidate has a name with twelve letters. Nick Galifianakis is running for Congress from N. C. and his followers are wearing buttons as follows:

Clinton has agreed to send a pair to any APIC member for 15¢ to cover postage and handling.

Thanks, Clinton.



r/w/b litho.



# For the Newer Collector

by U. I. Chick Harris, #139

Everyone, yes everyone, seems to be 'Jugate Happy'. This applies to the young and beginner collector, as well as to the advanced collector and the price definitely reflects this fact. While most will agree that the item with both the candidates pictured is the ultimate, it seems many times that undue emphasis is placed on such items, especially by the collector with few buttons to show. Most collectors will not be able to complete the set from 1896 to the present, for the three tough ones, the 1920 of both parties and the 1924 Democratic, are real stumbling blocks. Those who limit the jugates to one inch or under will find that there were none made for Stevenson with either running mate--they will have to be content with a 1 3/8" variety or a single picture item.....As promised in the last KEYNOTER, this issue pictures some items of the 1880-90 era, with emphasis on the stud back buttons, which are more often than not, offered as cuff buttons by an antique dealer, rather than the lapel button they really were. The stud buttons, quite a few were still used with full celluloid fronts in the 1896 campaign, are somewhat difficult to mount flush. You will find that they make a nice appearance if a little 'Elmers' glue is applied to the stud back and mounted to your display sheet--while these will be a little more 3-D than those mounted flush, they do not detract, but actually many times add to your display.

(Items pictured are near actual size).

- #1 - Clothing button, brass with convex face. A shank back(metal loop). Inscribed Cleveland and Hendricks (1884) and two stars. (About \$6 to 9)
- #2 - Enameled brass, stud back button. Inscribed, Protection to American Industry, 1888, with an eagle and the word HARRISON. (About \$7 to \$10)
- #3 - Enameled brass, stud back button. Inscribed, HARRISON, with a star. Known in white enamel, as well as blue and red enamel. (1888) (About \$6 to \$9)
- #4 - (The first celluloid buttons-1892-the 1892 variety all had a metal rim, were not full celluloid). Celluloid, metal rim with photo of Cleveland to half right. Stud back. (About \$8 to \$11)
- #5 - Cloth covered button, stud back. HARRISON woven on shield type, woven cotton. (Silk was used on many varieties of cloth covered buttons of this period-1888)
- #6 - Solid brass (some copper also) with HARRISON AND MORTON above a log cabin and a coon below. (The Whig Party emblem, the coon, was widely used in 1888 along with the log cabin, and the slogan was Tippecanoe and Morton too.) (About \$10)
- #7 - (#4 above, was the first to use the celluloid cover for buttons--the clear type, but this 1888 variety is also a heavy type (amber colored) celluloid with the photo of Harrison (incused). Similar to an engraving. (About \$8 to \$12)
- #8 - Brass shell, on brass or mother of pearl background, with stud back. Harrison with stars and cross, border of dots. 1888. (About \$10 to \$15)
- #9 - Lithographed tin, pinbacked item, in form of the US flag, with Cleveland photo in oval. Red, white and blue, with black pole, photo and 1892. (About \$15)



#1



#2



#3



#4



#5



#6



#9



#7



#8



General Ulysses S. Grant was one of the most popular figures to cross the military stage of our country. While his Presidential career was not as outstanding, his overall value as a collector's choice has been very rewarding.

My interest in collecting anything pertaining to General and President Grant, started many years ago when I realized that a great-great uncle by marriage, was a cousin to the General, and very closely resembled him. Books, pictures, medals, plates, etc., were among my first acquisitions, and as time went on, my collection grew.

In 1955 I acquired the Horace Grant collection, which covered nearly every phase of Grant's life, and was the result of forty years of collecting. Included was the first table owned by the General, in which he displayed his medals, and later turned in for a larger one. There was also wood from the Appomattox apple tree and the Vicksburg tree, fringe from the funeral car, a badge worn by one of the bearers, pictures, books, Peace plates, Patriot and Soldier plates, busts, plaques, programs, and most of all, medals and political pins.

The politicals included medals and various ferrotypes, used in both the 1868 and 1872 campaigns. Since then I have acquired from various sources, several more ferrotypes, all different. There are ferrotypes with pin backs and various metal rims, another with a velvet rim, and with a tassel attached; also jugate ferrotypes with different rims, and one set in a metal plaque with military insignia surrounding it. There is also a ferrotype vest button, and a similar one with a loop to be used as a watch charm. Others include a metal medallion with ribbon and eagle pin, and single and jugate pins with card-board photos surrounded with a metal rim. Two very good Seymour ferrotypes were also added to complete the campaign.

Of special interest is an 1872 campaign item, an oval frame in which is mounted a silver plated metal sheet with busts in relief, on velvet background, of Washington, Lincoln and Grant and Henry Wilson. This is all beautifully engraved for that campaign.

Needless to say, my Grant items formed the nucleus from which has emerged my very modest collection of political items, as well as my deep interest in Civil War history.

Collecting Grant has been very rewarding, because I started when it was still possible to pick up these items quite easily, and also at a fair price. Today they are quite scarce, and the prices are continually rising, all this for two reasons. First, there has been a great demand for more than five years, for anything associated with the Civil War, and especially with Grant and Lee. Many Civil War collections have been formed and are quite likely to remain the owner's choice possessions for some time. A Civil War buff is a stubborn person when it comes to parting with his Grant material. Secondly, the fast growing hobby of collecting anything political, has swept the country with those able to pay high prices for choice and rare items, such as Grant and contemporary ferrotypes, providing a field day for the dealer who wishes to dispose of such items. Were I just starting as a Grant collector, I'm sure that many of the choice items which I now have would never have become a part of my collection. And among those items, I am thinking of my Indian Peace Medal bearing Grant's likeness, and showing evidence that it had been worn by an Indian Chief for some time. What a story that would make, if only it were possible to learn all of the details!



Pictured, left to right: Oval frame contains a color print of the General in uniform, the table is the one mentioned in the article and is of Louis XVI design and done in gold with red plush lining; bust is a superb likeness of photo-sculpture design; the square frame contains a gold colored plaque, with stars and lapel said to be gold.



## B R U M M A G E M \*

Wayne LaPoe, Chairman, Committee on Ethics

\*Brummagem (brum'ajem), noun. A showy but inferior and worthless thing.

In behalf of our efforts to inform the membership and protect the hobby, the following have been of great assistance since the last issue: Don Beck #236, Frank Cherry #596, Ferd O'Brien #103, Norman Heestand #618, Kenton Broyles #129, Stanley Kaufman #177, Stephen Ackerman, Jr. #578, Robert Sterling #173, Stanley King #442, Tony Joseph #624, Murray Harris #178, Gene McGreevy #137, and Donald Ackerman #418.

In the last issue of BRUMMAGEM, a Curtis button (1½", celluloid, orange border with Curtis portrait in black and white) was illustrated with the request that anyone with information regarding the button should contact the Committee. Stanley Kaufman of Topeka, Kansas, kindly responded to our request and has provided the background on this particular button. The button was manufactured by the Trapp Print Shop in Topeka, Kansas. It was produced for use in the 1920's for Curtis' senatorial campaign. Curtis was a Kansan. The Trapp Print Shop has been out of business for 20 or 25 years.

Another fake button being circulated by Stephen Wallace of Van Nuys, California, has been reported. We took note of the "Vote HOOVER for President" button and the 1" diameter "Forward with President TRUMAN No Retreat" button in the last issue. The Truman button to the right is 1½", red, white and blue celluloid. It obviously is of recent manufacture. In connection with the same account, in the last issue we mentioned a John W. Davis button similar to D13 which Wallace attempted to foist off on a member. Recently, three members of APIC, including your chairman, each received two specimens of the Davis reproduction from a Eugene Connor, P. O. 3184, Van Nuys, California. Mine came unsolicited on approval and priced at \$20.00 each. The Committee attempted to contact Mr. Connor but received no acknowledgement as was the case with Mr. Wallace. The fake Davis



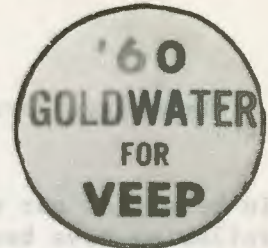
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button is pictured to the left with an authentic Davis button. The reproduction is slightly thicker as the result of a larger metal rim. The rim has been artificially rusted but if one peels back the paper which has been glued to the metal backing, he can see the metal backing is new in appearance. Five of the above referred to specimens contain an Offset Gravure Company paper and the sixth a Whitehead and Hoag paper. The reproductions do not contain the copyright "U & U" on the bottom edge as does the original. This is the photographer's copyright. The reproduced button is much lighter in color and does not have the sharp details that the original has. Also, there are white lines above the lettering on either side of the button which is a result of being photographically reproduced. Beware of this one!



# BRUMMAGEM

The Goldwater button pictured to the right was produced early this year for the Philadelphia County Chapter of Young Americans for Freedom as a fund raising device along with some other political action (non-presidential) buttons. 500 of the Goldwater buttons were manufactured by the Philadelphia Badge Company. The organization was most cooperative with the Committee on Ethics in supplying the above information. The Committee acquainted them with our concern, provided them with a copy of our Code of Ethics and solicited their cooperation in the future. The button is 1½" in diameter, celluloid, blue letters on white background. "Phila. Badge Co., Inc., Phila., Pa." appears on the lower edge.



The two buttons pictured to the left were obtained in a Los Angeles coin shop by a member so that they could be photographed for BRUMMAGEM. Both are 1½" in diameter, celluloid, black and white. Neither contains the manufacturer's name but the Harding button does contain the photographer's copyright - Harris & Ewing - below the portrait. Both have painted metal

backs and have been manufactured in the same manner and at the same time - probably last week!



1-3/4"



1½"

Above Taft buttons pin back celluloid, sepia. Also in 2½", 2", 1", 7/8".



3/4"



13/16"X1-1/8"



1-3/16"X1-5/8"

Above Taft buttons brooch back, celluloid, sepia. Also in 1-1/16" X 1-7/16".



3/4"



1"



1½"



1



1-3/4"



1½"X1-5/8"



1-1/16"X1-3/8"



13/16"X1-1/8"



3/4"



9/16"

Above Hoover buttons pin-back, celluloid, sepia. Also in 2½", 2", 1-1/8", 7/8", and 9/16".

Above McKinleys brooch back, celluloid, sepia.

Above McKinleys pinback, celluloid, sepia. Also in 1½", 2", 1-3/4", 1½", 1", and 7/8". Pictured in earlier BRUMMAGEM.